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I. AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of the claims replaces all prior versions and listing of the claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A table comprising:
a plastic table top comprising:
a top portion;
a bottom portion including a generally planar section; and
a pair of spaced apart generally L-shaped brackets extending outwardly from the generally planar section of the bottom portion of the table top, each bracket of the pair of generally L-shaped brackets including a generally vertical portion extending beyond the bottom portion of the table top and a generally horizontal portion, the generally vertical portion including a generally parallel inner surface and outer surface, the generally horizontal portion including a generally parallel upper surface and lower surface, the pair of generally L-shaped brackets being separate and distinct structures from the table top, at least a portion of the generally L-shaped brackets being constructed from plastic and being integrally formed with the table top as part of a unitary, one-piece structure, the portion of the generally L-shaped brackets constructed from plastic including a hollow interior portion at least partially disposed between the generally parallel inner surface and outer surface of the generally vertical portion, the brackets and the bottom portion of the table top at least partially defining a chamber;

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a drawer that is sized and configured to be slidably disposed in the chamber and movable between a retracted position and an extended position; and
a pair of legs connected to the table top.

2. (Previously Presented) The table as recited in claim 1, wherein the entire generally L-shaped brackets are formed integrally with the plastic table top.

3. (Previously Presented) The table as recited in claim 1, wherein each generally L-shaped bracket comprises a vertical portion and a horizontal portion formed integrally together.

4. (Previously Presented) The table as recited in claim 1, wherein each generally L-shaped bracket comprises a vertical portion and a discrete horizontal portion attached together.

5. (Previously Presented) The table as recited in claim 4, wherein the horizontal portion is formed by a generally L-shaped angle iron having a vertical portion and a horizontal portion, the vertical portion of the iron being connected to the vertical portion of the generally L-shaped bracket such that the horizontal portion of the generally L-shaped iron is disposed transversely thereto.

6. (Previously Presented) The table as recited in claim 1, further comprising a generally L-shaped angle iron disposed in a corner of each generally L-shaped bracket.

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7. (Original) The table as recited in claim 1, further comprising a lip formed around at least a portion of the outer periphery of the bottom surface of the table top.

8. (Previously Presented) The table as recited in claim 7, further comprising a notch formed in the lip at the location of the generally L-shaped brackets, the space between the generally L-shaped brackets being substantially the same or less than the length of the notch.

9. (Original) The table as recited in claim 7, further comprising:
a recess formed around the periphery of the bottom surface of the table top such that the bottom surface is substantially level with the bottom portion of the outer lip; and
a cross bar attached to an end of each of the table legs, wherein the cross bar is disposed in the recess and pivotally attached to the table top.

10. (Cancelled).

11. (Previously Presented) The table as recited in claim 1, wherein at least a portion of the generally L-shaped brackets form at least a portion of a base and at least a portion of the base is sized and configured to support the drawer.

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12. (Currently Amended) A table comprising:

a table top constructed from blow-molded plastic, the table top including an upper portion, a lower portion and a hollow interior portion formed during the blow-molding process;

a drawer movable between a retracted position and an extended position relative to the table top;

one or more receiving portions integrally formed in the table top as part of a unitary, one-piece structure, the receiving portions including a hollow interior portion that is formed during the blow-molding process, the receiving portions being sized and configured to receive at least a portion of the drawer and allow the drawer to move between the retracted position and the extended position; and

one or more legs that are sized and configured to support the table top above a surface;

wherein the one or more receiving portions form at least a portion of a base and at least a portion of the base is sized and configured to support the drawer.

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14. (Previously Presented) The table as recited in claim 12, wherein each of the one or more receiving portions include at least one lateral portion.

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15. (Previously Presented) The table as recited in claim 12, wherein each of the one or more receiving portions includes at least one bottom portion.

16. (Previously Presented) The table as recited in claim 12, wherein each of the one or more receiving portions includes at least one lateral portion and at least one bottom portion.

17. (Previously Presented) The table as recited in claim 16, wherein the at least one lateral portion and the at least one bottom portion include a hollow interior portion that is integrally formed with the table top as part of a unitary, one-piece construction during the blow-molding process.

18. (Previously Presented) The table as recited in claim 16, further comprising one or more brackets attached to the one or more receiving portions.

19. (Previously Presented) The table as recited in claim 12, further comprising one or more brackets attached to the one or more receiving portions.

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20. (Currently Amended) A table comprising:

a table top constructed from blow-molded plastic and including an upper portion, a lower portion and a hollow interior portion that is formed during the blow-molding process;

one or more legs connected to the table top;

a drawer movable between a retracted position and an extended position relative to the table top;

a first generally L-shaped bracket extending outwardly from the bottom portion of the table top, the first generally L-shaped bracket being integrally formed with the table top as part of a unitary, one-piece structure, the first generally L-shaped bracket including a hollow interior portion that is formed during the blow-molding process, the first generally L-shaped bracket including a lateral portion and a bottom portion, the entire first generally L-shaped bracket being formed integrally with the plastic table top during the blow-molding process, the first generally L-shaped bracket being sized and configured to allow the drawer to move between the retracted position and the extended position; and

a second generally L-shaped bracket extending outwardly from the bottom portion of the table top, the second generally L-shaped bracket being integrally formed with the table top as part of a unitary, one-piece structure, the second generally L-shaped bracket including a hollow interior portion that is formed during the blow-molding process, the second generally L-shaped bracket including a lateral portion and a bottom portion, the entire first generally L-shaped bracket being formed integrally with the plastic table top during the blow-

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molding process, the second generally L-shaped bracket being sized and configured to allow the drawer to move between the retracted position and the extended position.

21. (Currently Amended) A table comprising:

a plastic table top comprising:

a top portion;

a bottom portion including a generally planar section; and

a pair of spaced apart generally L-shaped brackets extending outwardly from the generally planar section of the bottom portion of the table top, the pair of generally L-shaped brackets being separate and discrete structures from the table top,

at least a portion of the generally L-shaped brackets being constructed from plastic and being integrally formed with the table top as part of a unitary, one-piece structure, the brackets and the bottom portion of the plastic table top at least partially defining a chamber;

a drawer that is sized and configured to be slidably disposed in the chamber and movable between a retracted position and an extended position; and

a pair of legs connected to the table top;

wherein each generally L-shaped bracket comprises a vertical portion and a discrete horizontal portion attached together.

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22. (Previously Presented) The table as recited in claim 21, wherein the horizontal portion is formed by a generally L-shaped angle iron having a vertical portion and a horizontal portion, the vertical portion of the iron being connected to the vertical portion of the generally L-shaped bracket such that the horizontal portion of the generally L-shaped iron is disposed transversely thereto.

23. (Previously Presented) A table comprising:
a plastic table top comprising:
a top portion;
a bottom portion; and
a pair of spaced apart generally L-shaped brackets extending outwardly from the bottom portion of the table top, at least a portion of the generally L-shaped brackets being constructed from plastic and being integrally formed with the table top as part of a unitary, one-piece structure, the brackets and the bottom portion at least partially defining a chamber;
a drawer that is sized and configured to be slidably disposed in the chamber and movable between a retracted position and an extended position;
a pair of legs connected to the table top; and
a generally L-shaped angle iron disposed in a corner of each generally L-shaped bracket.

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24. (Previously Presented) A table comprising:
- a plastic table top comprising:
 - a top portion;
 - a bottom portion; and
 - a pair of spaced apart generally L-shaped brackets extending outwardly from the bottom portion of the table top, at least a portion of the generally L-shaped brackets being constructed from plastic and being integrally formed with the table top as part of a unitary, one-piece structure, the brackets and the bottom portion at least partially defining a chamber;
 - a drawer that is sized and configured to be slidably disposed in the chamber and movable between a retracted position and an extended position;
 - a pair of legs connected to the table top;
 - a lip formed around at least a portion of the outer periphery of the bottom surface of the table top;
 - a notch formed in the lip at the location of the generally L-shaped brackets, the space between the generally L-shaped brackets being substantially the same or less than the length of the notch;
 - a recess formed around the periphery of the bottom surface of the table top such that the bottom surface is substantially level with the bottom portion of the outer lip; and
 - a cross bar attached to an end of each of the table legs, wherein the cross bar is disposed in the recess and pivotally attached to the table top.